

## REMARKS

### I. Summary of the Office Action

Claims 1-3, 17-25, and 36-42 are pending in this application.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 17-25 and 37-42 are allowable.

Claims 1-3 and 36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Fukaya et al. U.S. Patent No. 4,227,127 (hereinafter "Fukaya").

### II. Summary of Applicant's Reply

Applicant notes with appreciation the Examiner's recognition of allowable subject matter in claims 17-25 and 37-42.

Applicant has canceled claims 1-3 and 36 without prejudice. Claim 37 has been amended to correct a typographical error.

### III. Applicant's Reply to the § 102 Rejection

Claims 1-3 and 36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Fukaya. Applicant has canceled claims 1-3 and 36 without prejudice. This rejection is moot and should therefore be withdrawn.

IV. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, claims 17-25 and 37-42 are allowable. This application is therefore in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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